Methane Emergency Brake Campaign

Partner Sign-on

We, the undersigned organisations, join the Methane Emergency Brake campaign's call for deep, rapid, mandatory cuts in methane emissions as a fast, impactful way to lower near-term temperatures. Studies show that cutting methane emissions could result in a four times greater reduction in global temperature rise compared to cutting carbon dioxide emissions, and could take effect much faster, lowering global warming by as much as 0.5 °C in the next few decades.

Until 2025, emissions and atmospheric concentrations of methane have continued to increase rapidly, despite 159 countries signing the voluntary Global Methane Pledge. Methane has already caused a third of modern warming. Emerging data indicate that in the years since the Paris Agreement, newly emitted methane has caused more warming than new carbon dioxide. With methane emissions rising and climate tipping points looming, we are out of time to rely solely on voluntary frameworks.

Therefore, we call on governments at all levels and international organisations to:

- **1. Establish Mandatory Methane Measures –** We demand governments go beyond voluntary pledges and adopt enforceable, legally binding methane mitigation strategies, meeting or exceeding a 45% reduction in anthropogenic methane emissions this decade, in line with the Paris Agreement. These strategies encompass all sectors, including fossil fuels, agriculture, waste, and hydropower.
- **2.** Cut Fossil Methane Fast We demand that fossil fuel companies who pledged at COP28 to reduce methane emissions to near zero and to stop flaring by 2030 commit to mandatory methane mitigation to fulfil these promises. This mitigation can be achieved using existing technologies and regulations.
- **3. Tell the Truth about Methane Emissions and Impacts** Countries and companies should use the latest data to report their methane emissions truthfully, including data they acquire from on-site measurement and data from satellites. The IPCC should update its global warming potential (GWP) metrics for methane to always include a 20-year time frame alongside GWP100 and require accurate emissions reporting, with double accounting (GWP20/100) as a minimum standard. Even more accurate ways of showing methane's immediate heating contribution are welcome.

In addition, we commit to:

1. Cut Methane

We will cut and support others in cutting methane emissions immediately and ambitiously within our own areas of action.

2. Collaborate

We will work together, sharing our solutions for cutting methane, as well as relevant information and resources, via the Methane Emergency Brake website and through other channels. We will invite others to join us and grow the movement to the point where, as humanity, we jointly and effectively pull the Methane Emergency Brake.